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Summary Information

Repository Rare Books and Manuscripts

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Creator Finley, John, 1797-1866

Creator Hannah, Samuel

Title Sarah A. Wrigley collection

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Biographical Note/Historical Note/Administrative History

John Finley was born to Andrew and Ann (McClure) Finley on January 11, 1797 in Brownsburg, Virginia. Finley had two younger siblings, Andrew and Jane, and two older siblings, Elizabeth and William. He married his second wife, Julia Hanson, on April 9, 1829 in Marion, Indiana and they had four children together: Sarah A., Julia H., John H., and Mary Frances. Finley held several political offices in Indiana after moving there in 1821, including Justice of the Peace, member of the Indiana General Assembly (1828-1831), clerk of the Wayne County Circuit Court (1837-1844), and mayor of Richmond, Indiana (1852-1866). He also owned and edited the *Richmond Palladium*newspaper from 1833 to 1837. Finley died on December 23, 1866 in Richmond, Indiana.

John Finley's daughter, Sarah A. Finley (1830-1920), married Benjamin Wrigley and had two sons, Luke H. and Roy. On September 5, 1864, Sarah A. Wrigley became the librarian of the newly opened Morrisson Library in Richmond, Indiana, a post she held until 1903.

Noah Noble was born to Dr. Thomas II and Elizabeth Claire Betty (Sedgwick) Noble on January 14, 1794 on Long Marsh Plantation in Berryville, Virginia. Noble was one of twelve children. His family migrated to Kentucky in the early 1800s, where Noble lived until relocating to Brookville, Indiana in 1816, earning a living from land speculation and his wool-carding business. On November 8, 1819, Noble married Catherine Stull Van Swearingen in Frederick, Virginia. Noble first took political office in 1820, serving as sheriff of Franklin County (1820-1824). In 1824, he was elected to the Indiana House of Representatives, became a receiver of public money for the Indianapolis land office (1825-1829) and served as a commissioner for the Michigan Road project in 1830. Most notably, Noble served as Governor of the State of Indiana from 1831 to 1837. He died on February 8, 1844 in Indianapolis, Indiana and was interned at Crown Hill Cemetery.

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Scope and Contents

This collection includes four legal documents regarding the political offices held by John Finley in 1832 and 1837 in Indiana, concerning Finley's election to the office of clerk for the Wayne County Circuit Court over Samuel Hannah in August of 1837 and his 1832 appointment as marshall of the sixth district of Indiana in charge of collecting votes for the electoral college election from Governor Noah Noble.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged by subject.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

• Wayne County (Ind.)

Personal Name(s)

• Noble, Noah, 1794-1844

Subject(s)

- Elections
- Governors--Indiana
- Indiana--Politics and government--19th century
- Judges--Indiana
- Politics and government